## Mational

Republican.

VOL. XIV.

SWEEPINGS, CUTTINGS AND FILINGS OF THE TESTIMONY.

LILEY ON DIRT-D. C. FORNEY-CLEM HILL AUGULF CLUSS RECOGNIZES HIS SIGNA TURE ONCE MORE WHERE HE THINKS PT OUGHT NOT TO BE-DR. BLAKE'S OPINIONS-DERTLY AND COL. MAGRUPER EXPLAIN.

WEDNESDAY, May 27, 1874. The committee met at 10 s. m., pursuant t adjournment.

George H. Williams, Attorney General, hav-ing been duly sworn, testified as follows: By the Chairman: Q. Mr. Attorney General there was some question that I believe you wanted to explain to the committee, relative to some grading in the neighborhood of your Please to go on in your own way, and make such a statement as you wish. A. Mr. been made to make it appear that Messrs. Rilev and Clark graded my property at public expense, and I desire to make a brief statement upon that subject. My house is situated on lots 8 and 9 of block 159 of this city. Prio to the construction of the house, Mr. Riley did no work at all upon those lots. Subsequently he made application to take the gravel from these lots in the rear of the house, which he was permitted to do as a matter of favor, and with the understanding that he should level in digging out the gravel. He accordingly took out of the lots a large amount of gravel, dig and then removed dirt from the other parts of the lots so as to fill up the holes thus made. lege, and it was given to Riley as an act of favor. This is all the grading he ever did upon those lots inside of the streets and alleys-the streets and alley boundaries—and I say em-phatically, that he is not, and never was, en-

phaticarry, that he is not, and never was en-titled to receive from anybody one cent for this work, for it was done with the express under-standing that he should have that gravel, and for it should level down the lots. I understood the gravel to be worth at the time about 25 cents per load.

On the west side of Connecticut avenue there are several lots that were eight or ten feet beare several lots that were eight or ten feet below the street, and in which there was stagmant water for the greater part of the time.

These were public suisances. Riley was anxious to get a job to fill up these lots, and take
the dirt from the high ground adjoining the
lots, or those on which my house stands. He
came to my house frequently and importuned
Mrs. Williams to write a letter to Governor
Shepherd to aid him in getting a job. Ac
cordingly, at the instance of Riley, she wrote
a letter to Governor Shepherd upon that subous to get a job to fill up these lots, and take the dirt from the high ground adjoining the tots, or those on which my house stands. He made to my house frequently and importuned Mrs. Williams to write a letter to Governor shepherd to add him in getting a job. Accordingly, at the instance of Riley, she wrote letter to Governor Shepherd upon that subscription of the instance of Riley, she wrote letter to Governor Shepherd upon that subscription of the instance of Riley, she wrote letter to Governor Shepherd upon that subscription of the instance of Riley, she wrote letter to Governor Shepherd upon that subscription of the instance of Riley, she wrote letter to Governor Shepherd upon that subscription of the instance of Riley, she wrote letter to Governor Shepherd upon that subscription of the instance of Riley, she wrote letter to Governor Shepherd upon that subscription is to the effect that the Board of Public Works are entirely distinct, and in no respect liable for the acts or obligations of one another.

Of the correctness of this opinion there cannot, think, be any doubt. I have, also, in soveral communications, stated that the powers of the learn of Public Works are entirely distinct, and in no respect liable for the acts or obligations of one another.

Of the correctness of this opinion there cannot, think, be any doubt. I have, also, in soveral communications, stated that the powers of the learn of Public Works are entirely distinct, and in no respect liable for the acts or obligations of one another.

Of the correctness of this opinion there cannot, the condition of the learn of Public Works are entirely distinct, and in no respect liable for the acts or obligations of one another.

Of the correctness of this opinion there cannot, the condition of the learn o tively little trouble and expense to the lots that he was engaged to fill. Several other persons were allowed the same privileges, and hun-dreds of loads of dirt have been hauled away upon a similar understanding. Mr. Clark is engaged to-day with ten or a dozen carts, and been for two or three weeks, in haulfing y dirt from adjoining lots, upon expressly same undergranding that was had with Riley. Mr. Clark applied to me through my neighbor, Mr. Morgan, for the privilege of taking dirt from those lots to execute a contract

the day before Hill makes this report, occurs

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, WARHINGTON, D. C., October 14, 1574, 1574, 16

Washington, D. C., October 4, 1873.
Beard of Public Works, District of Columbia, to Hiley & Clark, Dr.
Te filing lots condemned by the Board of Health, situated in square 161, between Eighteenth street and Connecticut avenue, 2,524 cubic yards, at 30 cents - . \$973 50.
I certify that the above measurement was made by me. That the work was performed under my supervision and by order of the board.
Very respectfully, L. G. CLOSE, Street Super'nt of Eighteenth and N streets.
OCTOBER 4, 1878.
N. B.—This hash was made from Attorney Gen-

OCTOBER 4, 1870.

N. B.—This hast was made from Attorney General Williams' premises, say 700 feet distance.
L. G. C.

(Indersement.) The within bill is correct. I was ordered by Mr. Shepherd to get rid of the dirt from Mr. Williams ot. As this was a near haul, and condemned by he Board of Health, I had it filled. Dr. J. B. Slake is the agent for the lots filled. CHAS. W. CUNNINGHAN, INSPECTOR.

DEAR SIR: The Governor directs me to request you to have the work done by Riley & Clark around General William's property measured, &c., so that a settlement can be effected at once. Very respectfully, W. T. TINDALL, Secretary to Governor.

Hon. Henry A. Williard, Vice President Board of Public Works.

[Indorsement.] BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS,
DISTRICT OF COLUMNIA,
WASHINGTON, 12, 19, 1873.
Respectfully referred to the engineer in charge.
By order of the board.

FRANK T. Howe, Chief Clerk.

To the Hon. Board of Paulic Works, washings, D. C.:
GENYLEMEN: His Excellency Governor Shepherd verbally directed me, early in October list, to see Mrs. Attorney General Williams, and have her premises put in order to suit her taste.

To accomplish this, I tried four contractors and Messrs. Riley & Clark were the only ones willing to undertake it, which I directed them to do as instructed by a written order from the board, No. 9922, vol. 4. By impression is that the improvement of her immediate residence was only contemplated by all parties.

| Findorsement.]
| Board of Public Works, | Board of Public Works, | District of Collembia, | Washington, December 21 1973. | Respectfully referred to the engineer in charge. By order of the board: Frank T. Hows, Chief Clerk. Respectfully returned for file. 6, 1, 1874. Accounts transmitted with 13,820, Board of Public Works, vol. 6, 1875. A. Oluss. [Indorsement.]

CLEMENT HIMM,
General Inspector."
Then on the 14th of October, 1873, which is the day before Hill makes this record.

Q. But here is a bill for \$798.60? A. Most of that came from the English Minister's cellar.
Q. It reads: "I certify that the above measurement was made by me; that the work was performed under my supervision and by the order of the board. L. G. Close." Do you

WASHINGTON, D. C., FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 29, 1874-DOUBLE SHEET.

CURRENCY BILL SENT TO CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

THE HOUSE CURRENCY BILL AND THE SEN ATE SUBSTITUTE REJECTED-THE VOTE IN DETAIL-THE ARMY REDUCTION BILL-

SENATE.

Messrs. BAYARD and SAULSBURY pre

Mr. SCOTT introduced a bill to correct a cler ical error in the act granting the right of way through the public lands to the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad Company. Referred to Rail-

Mr. MORRILL, of Me., from Committee on Appropriations, reported with amendments the consular and diplomatic appropriation bill.

Mr. FERRY, of Mich., called up bill to set apart a certain portion of the island of Mackinac, in the straits of Mackinac, Michigan, as a public

park. Passed.

Mr. HITOHCOCK called up bill granting right of way through the public lands to the American Fork Railway Company. Passed. right of way through the public lands to the American Fork Railway Company. Passed.

Mr. SPRAGUE called up the bill to confirm the purchase by the Executive Department of three acres of land in the vicinity of Nashville. Tenn., known as the site of Fort Houston, and to donate and convey the same to the Fisk university for educational purposes. Passed.

Mr. SARGENT, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported a bill fixing the pay of eagineers in the United States navy.

Mr. RAMSEY, from the Committee on Post Offices, reported a bill to protect lines of telegraph constructed or used by the United States from mailedous injury and obstruction.

The CHAIR hald before the Senate a petition signed by workingmen in Syracuse and Lockport, New York, and Louisville, Ky., asking she aboiltion of the national bank system, and asking the Government to do its own ship-building. Referred to Education and Labor.

Mr. SCOTT called up bill authorising the President to reimate Geo. M. Book on the active list of the navy. Passed.

Mr. SCOTT pesented a memorial of the American Medical Association, asking the appointment of a commission of scientific men to take action in regard to the cultivation of the cinchona tree in the United States. Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

THE ALABANA CONTESTED SEAT.

The case of the contested Senatorship from Ainbana was then taken up.

Mr. SAULSBURY having concluded his remarks, the question was taken on the resolutions offered by Mr. Hamilton, of Md., awarding the seat to Mr. Sykes. The resolutions were rejected by a strict party vote, and the Committee on Privileges and Elections was then discharged from the further consideration of the subject, the effect of which continues Mr. Spencia in his seat.

Mr. BOREMAN then called up the bill to establish the Mr. HAMILTON, of Md., submitted an order

Mr. MURTON, from the Committee on Privfleges and Elections, submitted a report in reference to the mode of electing the President and Vice President of the United State; which was laid on the table and ordered to be printed. TERRITORY OF PEMBLINA.

THRRITORY OF PEMBINA.

Mr. STEWART opposed the bill, and said there were too many Territories now.

Mr. SARGENT moved an amendment providing for woman suffrage in the new Territory. He said the Republican party had, in its platform in 1872, to a certaid extent, pledged itself to confer woman suffrage, but so far it had done nothing to redeem the pledge. He believed that the ballot in the hands of women would have the effect to purify society, and would open wider avenues to them. to purify society, and would open which as to them.

Mr. STEWART said this question was being seriously considered by the people of the United States, and he proposed trying this experiment in this new Territory.

Mr. MORTON said he would support the amendment hechage he believed it was in accordance with the Dechratel of Independence. He thought woman had the same antural right in this Government as a man. The presence of women at the balls would have an elevating effect, for men have

sey. Mr. Clark applied to me through my mighthey. Mr. Morgan, for the principle of ordinary of the control of t

At the suggestion of Mesers. Dawss and Gan-Figure it was agreed that to-day and to-morrow the House take a rocess from 450 to 730, this evening assession to be devoked to the considera-tion of the tariff bill, and to-morrow evening to the legislative appropriation bill. Mr. HOOPER, of Miss., from the Committee

Q. Do you say that this was charged to Rhode Island avenue! A. Yes, air.

Q. How do you know! A. It was written on the certificate.

Q. On this certificate! A. No, sir; on the certificate that I got; I got certificate.

By Mr. Stewart: Q. Have you those certificate.

[See Second Page.]

House than took up

THE CURRENCY BILL,

And proceeded to consider the substitute for the substitute for the sensitive of the sensitive of the substitute for the sensitive of the substitute for the sensitive of the substitute for the sensitive of the sensitive of the substitute for the sensitive of the sensitive of the substitute for the sensitive of the sensitive of the substitute for the sensitive of the sensitive of the substitute for the sensitive of the sensitive of the substitute for the sensitive of the sensitive of the substitute for the sensitive of the sensitive of the substitute for the sensitive of the substitute for the sensitive of the sensitive of the substitute for the sensitive of the substitute for the sensitive of the sensitive of the substitute for the sensitive of the substitute of the substitute for the sensitive of the substitute of the substitute for the sensitive of the substitute of the substitute for the sensitive of the substitute as the sensitive of the substitute of the substitute for the sensitive of the sensitive of the substitute of the substitute for the sensitive of the substitute of the sensitive of the sensitive of the substitute of the substitute for the sensitive of the sensitive of the substitute as the sensitive of the sensitive of the sensitive of the substitute of the substitute for the sensitive of the sensitive of the substitute of the

Mitchell,
Monroe,
Morey,
Niles,
Nunn,
Orr.
Packer,
Packard,
Pendleton,
Phelpa,
Pieroe,
Platt, Va.
Platt, N. Y.
Poland,
Rainey, NAVS.

Harmer,
Harris, Ga.,
Harris, Va.,
Harris, Va.,
Halcher,
Hayene,
Hawier, Coun.
Hereford,
Herndon,
Holman,
Hooper,
Hunton,
Hunter,
Hunton,
Hurtbut,
Hide,
Keiley,
Keiley,
Kendali,
Kenley,
Lawrence,
Lach,
Loughridge,
Lowe,
Loughridge,
Lowe,
Martin,
Martin,
Martin,
Martin,
Mortigen,
Myers,
Neal,
Neamith,
Niblack,
O'Neit,
O'Neit,
O'Neit,
O'Neit,
Page,
Parker, Mo.,

ought to be willing to submit to temporarily until the vacancies were made by national causes. He argued that a reduction of the army could be made with ansety, and said that in his opinion a larger reduction could be made than was proposed by this bill. He then briefly reviewed the bill, explaining the provisions of the several sections.

Mr. ALBRIGHT, of Pa., said, as an original proposition to reduce the army, he would have opposed the bill, as he did the proposition embraced in the appropriation bill, but as the appropriation bill had been cut down, he saw no other alternative. He thought the number of men to a company too small, and said they were issection in any other country. He favored a reduction of the army if it was to be done by organizations, rather than the reduction of these organizations.

order till 7:30 p. in.

EVEN ING SESSION.

The House reassembled at 7:30 o'clock, and immediately went into Committee of the Whele on the tariff bill, the pending question being the amendment proposed by Mr. MYERS, of Pa. to make the duty on moise iron the mame as on other ron. Adopted.

Nr. EASSON, of Iowa, from the committee, reposed an amendment making the duty on jute sitts \$6 per ton, machinery for the manufacture the ramie plant free of duty for two years, and am bags expected from the United States and turned emply free.

make the duty on moise from the came as on other from. Adopted.

Mr. KASSON, of lows, from the committee, proposed an amendment making the duty on jute butts set per for, machinery for the manufadiure of the rame plant free of duty for two years, and grain bage exported from the United States and returned emply free.

Mr. CLAHK, of Me., moved to amend by making the duty on jute butts sit per for.

Mr. SAYLER, of Ind., and Mr. WILSON, of lows, advocated the amendment.

Mr. SAYLER, of Ind., and Mr. WILSON, of lows, advocated the amendment.

Mr. EUTLER, of Mass, gave an account of the production, importation and uses of the jute butts, and said it was found the best material for sacks for corn, as the open character of the material pentilement that if they went against jute, the amendment is the second to the flax and hamp growing interests.

Mr. KELLEY advocated a duty of \$8, as a protestion to the flax and hamp growing interests.

Mr. HAWLEY, of Conn., opposed the introduction of this amendment at this fine, without any notice that it was to be proposed. He thought these fluctuating and vaccitating changes of the bard of the Fannyland any notice that it was to be changed, it ought to have been put in the printed bill.

Mr. HAWLEY, of Conn., opposed the introduction of this amendment at this fine, without these fluctuating and vaccitating changes of the bard of the Fannyland railroad Company and himself were both protectionists, but they are the first was the season of the seas

would seriously affect manufacturers and machinery.

Mr. PAGE, of Cal., opposed the duty on jute butte as an operous tax upon the grale-producing serions of the West.

Mr. Eames' amondment was adopted.

Mr. Eames' amondment was adopted.

Mr. Eames' amondment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. PLATT; of Va., peas for seed purposes only, were piscod on the free list.

On motion of Mr. DA WES, alisarine was placed on the free list. Mr. CONGER. of Mich., moved to strike as tructed hemicak-bark from the free list. He contended that to put it on the list wasto strike a death bld wat a rising and growing industry of the country.

Charleston, S. C., May 28.—The three county commissioners of Barnwell, convicted of corruptions of the country.

The Council met at 6 o'clock; Mr. tickney (president) in the chair. Prayer by Rev. Mr. Mullen.

mittee on Washing with Affairs.

Mr. Hall introduced a bill to prevent the uniawful assemblage of persons; which was read s lawful assemblage of persons; which was read a first time.

Mr. Hall, from the Committee on Barkets, reported House bill No. 18; amending an act regulating the sale of hay; which was read a third time and paged.

At 7:10, on motion of Mr. Riley, the Council ad-

The House was called to order at the usual hour, the Speaker in the chair. hour, the Speaker in the chair.

Mr. Berry presented the petition of J. W.
Deeble, and Mr. Bursley petition in relation to

eral taxes in the District then came up for con-sideration, and, after debate, was amended so as to exempt from general taxation churches and houses of public worship, with lands connected

Donnan, Nibback, Whithorn, M. Bonnand, Nibback, Durham, O'Neili, Williams, Ind., Eden, Octh, Wille, Williams, Ind., Eden, Octh, Williams, Ind., Eden, O'Neili, Williams, Ind., Eden, O'Neili, Williams, Ind., Eden, O'Ch, Wilson, Ind., Ediredge, Page, Wilson, Ind., Fort, Perry, Wolfe, Ediredge, Philips, Woodward, Glover, Pike, Woodward, Tonnos 104

The Senate substitute was next rejected—ayes 70, noos 104

Mr. MAYNABD moved that a committee or conference be asked on the bill, on which the yeas and anys were again ordered.

Pending the vote, Mr. RANDALL, of Pa., in guired what his position of the bill was for The SPEAKER said the amendment of the Senate having been rejected, the proposition now was that the House initiat upon the original bill, and ask a committee of conference.

Mr. MAYNARD's motion was agreed to—yeas 120, nays 32.

Con motion of Mr. BUTLER, of Mass, unanthous consent was given for an evening assistence of the consent was given for an evening assistence of the control of the control

The Senate Committee on the District have voted in the case of Col. Hoxie, whose nomination as a member of the Board of Public Works is pending in the Senate, that the committee should determine their action thereon in an in-formal consultation outside of the committee-

Mr. ALBRIGHT, of Pa., said, as an original proposition to reduce the army, he would share the proposition of educe the army, which is the appropriation bill, has be did the proposition espirated in the appropriation bill, has be did the proposition espirated in the appropriation bill, has the green share the army if it was to be done by erganisations to skeletons.

The SPEAKER here interrupted Mr. Authorities to amount the army if it was to be done by erganisations to skeletons.

The SPEAKER here interrupted Mr. Authorities to amount the army if it was to be done by erganisations to skeletons.

The SPEAKER here interrupted Mr. Authorities to amount the same to the Sonate and ask that the army if it was to be done by erganisations to skeletons.

The SPEAKER here interrupted Mr. Authorities to amount the same to the Sonate when it can be appropriated in the part of the House on the currency bill, as follows, with Messers, Mayraard, by Tenna. Place of the part of the House on the currency bill, as follows, with Messers, Mayraard, by Tenna. Place of the William and the proposition of \$15,000, was favorably acted on, and a provise attached to follow with the army paymaster on a footing different from the follows the proposition of the House of the washing to many paymaster on a footing different from the follows the army paymaster on a footing different from the follows. All the army paymaster and a age notice of the army paymaster and a age notice of the army paymaster on a footing different from the follows.

Mr. NULLER, of Masse, gave notice of an amendment giving the rank of other of cavalry to tit edit in the properties of the same and that there was a less proportion of gradients of the the army paymaster and as are notice of the army had been as and that there was a less proportion of gradients of the defense of the defense on the follows of the defense of the defense on the follows of the defense on the follows of the defense on the follows of the defense on the defense on the follows of the defense on the f

The SPEAKER announced as members of the committee to investigate affairs in Arkansas Messer. Polant, of Vt.; Warb, of Ill. Woodpond, of N. Y.; SAYLER, of Ohio, and Sloss, of Als.

The House then took a recess as per previous refer till 7:30 p.m.

EVENING SESSIGN.

The House reassembled at 7:30 o'clock, and the little of the late Hon. David Mellich took President Baldwin, of the New York National back, has been elected State fiscal agent for Louisians, vice J. H. Oglessby.

An excursion party of Illinois editors, numbering one hundred and thirty, reached Chesimant back in the late Hon. David Mellich took President Baldwin, of the New York National back, has been elected State fiscal agent for Louisians, vice J. H. Oglessby.

An excursion party of Illinois editors, numbering one hundred and thirty, reached Chesimant back in the late of the late Hon. David Mellich took President Baldwin, of the New York National back, has been elected State fiscal agent for Louisians, vice J. H. Oglessby.

An excursion party of Illinois editors, numbering one hundred and thirty, reached Chesimant back, has been elected State fiscal agent for late of the late Hon. David Mellich took President Baldwin, of the New York National back, has been elected State fiscal agent for Louisians, vice J. H. Oglessby.

An excursion party of Illinois editors, numbering one hundred and thirty, reached Chesimant back, has been elected State fiscal agent for Louisians, vice J. H. Oglessby.

An excursion party of Illinois editors, numbering one hundred and thirty, reached Chesimant back, has been elected State fiscal agent for Louisians, vice J. H. Oglessby.

An excursion party of Illinois editors, numbering one hundred and thirty, reached Chesimant back, has been elected State fiscal agent for Louisians, vice J. H. Oglessby.

An excursion party of Illinois editors, numbering one hundred and thirty, reached Chesimant back, has been elected State fiscal agent for louisians, vice J. H. Oglessby.

An excursi

CAPITOL AND DEPARTMENT

RLEGION OF SENATORS, REPRE

IN JAPAN-AGRICULTURE IN THE EAST

O.N.A.I.

Mr. Tremain, of New York, reported from the House Committee on Judiciary reterdy, in order that it might be printed, a bill prescribing certain regulations in relation to the election of Senators, Representatives and Delegates in Congress. It provides that the fally sheets, lists of voters and all other papers at an election for Senators, Representatives on Delegates in Congress shall be kept by the lawful custodian of the same sintle stept by the lawful custodian of the same sintle stept by the lawful custodian of the same sintle stept to the adjournment of the first session of the Congress thereafter to be affacted by said election. In case of an allegation of fread by said election in case of an allegation of fread by either party to a contest such lists and papers may be produced on proper subpone, and shall be carefully examined. Any custodian refusing to keep such papers, or to produce them when called for, shall be liable to a fine of \$1.000 at the suit of the party asking for the production of the papers. All votes shall be contend at the close of the day of election, and if the officers and managers decline to make such count they shall be liable to fine and imprisonment. One section prohibits the sale or gift of vinous, mail or spiritous liquors to any voter at an election for representative or delegate in Congress; and any person violating the provision of this section shall be liable to punishment of fine not less than \$200 or more than \$200 and imprisonment not less than \$200 or more than \$200 and imprisonment not less than six months nor more than two years. Any use of frearms or threats to use firearms at such election shall also be punished by fine and imprisonment. Any city, county, town or parish having fifty voters may have an election precinct established upon petition to the circuit judge, if there shall be no precinct within six miles. The bill will be reported for action when the committee next get the floor.

JAPANESE BUREAU OF STATISTIOS.

JAPANESE BUREAU OF STATISTICS.

The following communication has just been received by the chief of the Bureau of Statistics:

TORELL JAPAN. March 17. 1874.

Chief of Bureau of Statistice. Washington. U. S. A.:

Sire I have the hobor to inform you that there has recently been organized within this Department on the Bureau of Statistics, charged with the duty of gathering and publishing such information as the name of the bureau implies. The plan of organization is quite complete, the powers granted by the Government ample, and it is believed that the publication of much valuable more and the state of the complete of

quested.
You will be regularly furnished with as many numbers of the published reports of the bureau as you may request, and it is hoped that you will reciprocate with copies of all publications made under your auspices. Copies of such publications herotofore issued by you, that you judge would be of interest, will also be received with many thanks. reau are N. Srumura, T. Annual and the santita, eags.

Will you be good enough to favor the bureau with any information you may possess relativate international Statistical Congresses? If possible, with reports of proceedings, &c., &c.

Very respectfully, your obselions servant,

GEO, B. Williams,

Counselor of Finance Department.

Approved by—
N. OKUMURA,
T. KAWAGITA,
N. YAMABIITA. APPROPRIATIONS FOR PUBLIC BUILD-

teet Mullett were before the House Committee en Appropriations yesterday, the first named being present to explain the various amounts required for the reservations in and around Washington, and the latter in connection with all the various nublic assesses throughout the country! The windry divid service bill, now under consideration, makes provision for works of this character. It is aire the last of the appropriation bills to receive attention, being under up of the "Steine" not strictly included in the regular bills. The following sums are allowed for expenditure under the direction of deneral Babcock: Reservation No. 3, 20,000; grounds south of the Executive Mansion, \$10,000; Smithsonian grounds, \$13,000; Armory square, \$8,000; inclosing Lincoln square,

ments connecting Great Falls with Georgetown, \$1,100.

AN AGRICULTURAL CONGRESS.

Information has been received at the Department of State from the Netherlands Minister that his Government proposes to hold a second congress in the month of April, 1875, at Djoklokarta, in the island of Jara, for the purpose of developing agriculture and its kindred sciences in the East Indies and, in order to make the occasion one of more importance and illerest, it has been determined to hold at the same three an agricultural and industrial exhibition, to which foreign nations are invited to send their productions. The Netherlands Minister expresses the hope of his Government that citizens of the United States interested in the matter will take part in the proposed exhibition.

THE LOUISVILLE AND PORTLAND CANAL.

THE LOUISVILLE AND PORTLAND CANAL

To carry out the provisions of the act of Congress, approved May 11, providing for the payment of the bonds of the Louisville and Portland Canal Company, Major Godfrey Weitzel, corps of engineers, is appointed to proceed to Louisville, and confer with the president and directors of said company, with a view of making the nocessary arrangements for receiving and taking charge of the canal "and all the proporty, real and personal, of the canal company as the property of the United States." Major Weitzel is empowered to agree with the canal company upon some day subsequent to the thirty days named in the act for the transfer of the canal to the United States, and is authorized to take charge of the same when it shall have been delivered into the possession of the United States.

ARGUMENTS OF COUNSEL FOR THE ARGUMENTS OF COUNSEL FOR THE

ARGUMENTS OF COUNSEL FOR THE DISTRIOT.

The arguments in behalf of the District in the investigation now concluded were filed yesterday afternoon with the committee. Measure Mattingly and Stanton were designated to represent the case of the District, the first-named making the logal argument, in which all law points having a bearing on the investigation are considered, and Mr. Stanton presenting the facts elicited, or a review of the testimony presented for consideration. The committee ordered that both arguments be immediately printed as a part of the investigation.

RIVER AND HARBOR BILL The Senate Committee on Commerce yesterday and under consideration the bill making appro-riations for the preservation and repair of the had under consideration the bill making appro-priations for the preservation and repair of the rivers and harbors of the country. Senator Scott and Representatives Curtis and Scotell, of Penn-sylvania, made arguments in favor of the inser-tion in the bill of an appropriation of \$50,000 for the improvement of the far-from at Eric Pa. The committee also heard a statement from Mr. Pur-nam, of Florida, in support of an allowance for the improvement of the Apalachecols river.

THE MARYLAND JOCKEY CLUB.

THE SEWING MACHINE EXTENSION.

The Sensite Committee on Patents yesterday heard for there arguments to opposition to the extension of the patent on sewing machines by Allen H. Wilson. After the completion of the argument to counsel favoring the extension asked a postponement of the case for two weeks, and the committee granted thoir request.

BALL'S STATUE OF LINCULN.

The House Committee on Appropriations yesterday agreed to make provision in the sundry civil bulk for the purchase of a pedestal for Ball's statue of Lincoln. The statue itself was purceased to make provision in the sundry civil bulk for the purchase of a pedestal for Ball's statue of Lincoln. The statue itself was purceased the following acids of colored people. It is not yed decided where the statue will be placed, but it is probable shat it will go in the national gallery in the oid Hall of Representatives.

ACTS APPROVED.

THE MARYLAND JOCKEY CLUB.

THE MARYLAND JOCKEY CLUB.

BALLYNOKK, May 22.—Teday was the third meeting of the Maryland Jockey Club. The first meeting of the first house, 4600. Six started—radius and adult on any operating to destroy is the washpess of the dam, and the causes operating to destroy is the washpess of the dam, and the causes operating to destroy is the washpess of the dam, and the aques of the first heads for maidens of all ages. Purce, 4600. Six started—Theodora first; Segural second; Keene Rich and the washpess of the directors had committee of the directors had committee of the directors had committee of the first house, 1804.

Second race, gentlemen's post stakes of \$25.500. Six started—Theodora first; Segural second; the washpess of the first beauting, four work done after the free week series of the first heads and colored period to the second horse, one and a quarter miles, welter work, to his remembrance, was protected by thrush third. Time, 1804.

The fourth race, true provides the first heads of the fi

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICES. WASHINGTON, May 26, IN-1 a. m.
PROBABILITIES.
For the Middle States clear and warm weath THE WEATHER IN WASHINGTON.

The following was the range of the thermometer yesterday at Hempler soptician store: S a. m., 62°; 10 a. m., 72°; 19 p. m., 81°; 6 p. m., 82°; 6 p. m., 81°; 6 p. m., 70°.

PICTORY FOR THE CRUSADERS.

PITTERURS, May 28.—A hearing in the case of the Counsders arrested last week, took place in the Common Pleas Court this morning. Judge Stowe gave his decision, reversing the judgment of the acting mayor, and ordered the fines to be refunded. The ladies are judilant over their victory, and are now holding a meeting to decide upon a future plan of acting a meeting to decide upon a future plan of acting a meeting to decide upon a future plan of acting a meeting to decide upon a future plan of acting mayor, and ordered the fines to be refunded. The ladies are judilant over their victory, and are now holding a meeting to decide upon a future plan of acting mayor.

RELIGIOUS.

PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLY AT ST.
LOUIS, May 29.—The most important event
which has thus far taken place in the Presbyterian General Assembly was the reception this
moraing of an overture from the committee appointed at a recest conference of Presbyterians
connected with the Old School synod of Missouri.
The overture related to the action of the General
Assembly of the Old School, and which subsequently led to a division of the synod of Missouri
in 1860.

Sr. Louis, May 29.—In the Presbyterian Assembly this afternoon the question whether the board of publication shall remain as at present, or be consulidated with the board of home missions, was discussed at length. Dr. Booth offered a substitute, which was adopted, that the board of publication remain as now, with collection from the churches for its missionary work. The department having this in charge shall be reparately constituted and shall keep a separate account with the board. It shall be its duty to disseminate the publications of the board by donations to ministers and needy churches; by sales through the appointees, who shall be called missionaries of the board of publication, and he subject to the supervision and control of the Presbyteries. It shall also supervise the whole Sabbath-school work in connection with the Presbyteries, and shall alm to clevate this important branch of evengelication to the prominence of efficiency which it deserves. The board of addition to the amount approximation to the prominence of the amount approximation and by the children of the Assembly adjourned.

\*\*The Assembly adjourned.\*\*

\*\*SOUTHERN PRESEVYERIANS\*\*

Preabyterian Assembly the committee of twenty-our, in correspondence with the Northern As-embly, made three reports. The first report was somony, made three reports. The first report was made by Dr. Kirkpatrick, isovering the appointment of a conference committee, with a sincere desire for friendly relations and fraternal correspondence, but not for organic union. The second, by Rev. J. W. Hoyt, declining to appoint a committee but recommending the sending of fraternal delegates at once.

The third by Judge Feutress, declining the above promptions and saving that the obstacles

or Assembly.

The raports were placed on the docket. The report of the committee of the theological seminary at Columbia, S. C., was taken up, as a test vote had not been reserved after three days' debate on the seminary at Columbia.

Alder Collier offered a paper to express confidence in the faculty and to make attendance upon the worship of God at the Sominary chapsi on the Lord's day voluntary. A substitute was offered for this.

The question was called and a vote taken by years and nays, and the substitute was lost by a good majority. REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN SYNOD.

REFORMED PRESSET FACTOR OF THE REFORMED PRESSET FOR THE REFORMED PRESSE Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, relative to meeting in Ecumenical council of churches, holding to the Westminster standard to consider subjects of common interest to all, and especially to promote harmony of action in the mission fields at home and abroad, and, on motion, it was referred to a special committee composed of Rev. Dr. T. S. Sprouli, Dr. McAllister and Elder T. Torreas.

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIANS.
St. Louis, May 28.—In the Cumberland Pres-St. Louis, May 22.—In the Cumberland Pres-byteriau Assembly yesterday almost the entire day was davoted to discussing the question of or-ganic union with the Presbyterian Church. At a very late hour last night a vote was taken an dis-charging the committee, and it was carried. This action fixes the whole matter in this body, for the present at least.

AMERICAN SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

American Sunday School Umon was need this p. m. in the Broadway Tabernacie. Hon Geo. H. Stewart, of Philadelphia, presided, and addresses were, made fully setting forty the fifty years work of the society. The society expended in its missionary operations in fifty years over \$2,000,000; granted to needy Sunday schools more than \$500,000, and circulated by sale and otherwise upwards of \$5,000,000 of Sunday school mubilections.

ELECTIONS IN VIRGINIA.

OUTRAGES AT PETERSBURG. [Special to The National Republican.]

Perferentiated by the Conservative party in the municipal elections held to-day. All the judges of election are Conservatives, who allowed disorderly crowds of Conservatives, who allowed disorderly crowds of Conservatives to surround the polis and insuit and intimidate Republicans. They have thrown out three hundred legal votes for no cause whatever, and propose to exclude the Republican challengers when the votes are counted, so that they will have full opportunity of stuffling the ballot boxes with fraudulent votes REFURLICAN VICTORY AT LYNCHEUGO.

LYNCHBURG. VA., May 28.—The Republican (Special to The National Republican.)

counted, so that they will have full opportunity of staffling the ballot boxes with fraudulent votes.

REFUBLICAN VICTORY AT LYNCHBURG.

LYNCHBURG, VA., May 28.—The Republican nominee for mayor was elected to-day by three hundred and forty majority, the heaviest majerity ever given for a candidate of the Republican party in this city.

LYNCHBURG, VA., May 28, 11:05 p. m.—The Republicans carry the city for mayor by three hundred and threy-three, and for commissioner of the revenue by two hundred and twenty-eight.

IN RICHMOND.

RICHMOND, May 28.—The municipal election in this city passed off quietly to-day, although the contest for the several offices has been quite excited. There was no nomination for mayor against A. M. Kelley, present incumbent; but at the last hour P. H. Starke was brought out as an independent candidate, and the vote for the latter has been quite heavy, he being voted for by Republicans and opponents of Kelley in the Conservative ranks.

Returns from about one third of the city show a fall vote. There is not, however, enough in any other party in this city is not the past two party is the continuous of the country of the country fairs.

Returns from about one third of the city show a fall vote. There is not, however, enough in any other party is the stand. The condition of the cours crop is decidedly bad. Wheat and casts are mederately fair. All have suffered from drought. There is a growing disposition to increase the crops of certain, the countries of the cours crop is decidedly bad. Wheat and casts are mederately fair. All have suffered from drought. There is a growing disposition to increase the crops of certains, there is made and partial showers.

THE TURF.

THE MARYLAND JOCKEY CLUB.

TROTTING AT SUFFOLE PARE.

A DEADLY ENCOUNTER.

ITEMS FROM NEW YORK.

NO. 146.

PROSPECTS FOR THE REVIVAL OF

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE

CONFIRMED - MILITARY OPERATIONS -BONAPARTIST PROGRAMMS IN FRANCE

CUBA. -

LONDON, May 28.—A Paris depatch to the Pines says the story of a German candidature for the Spanish throne is ridiculous.

for the Spanish throne is ridiculous."

OPERATIONS OF CONCIL.

LONDON. May 29, 5 a.m.—A dispatch to the Standard says General Concha has seized the heights near Artabae and the roads leading from Biscay by way of Villareal and Gumboa. The army of D.n Carlos has consequently retired into Quikuroua.

The dysentry is very prevalent in Marshal Concha's army, and many of his troops are in capacitated for daty therefrom.

GUNS FOR THE CARLISTS.

It is reported that the Carlists have received wenty Krupp steel danson and are reorganizing their forces.

THE MISSION TO PARIS. Madrid, May 28.—Admiral Topete has been offered the Spanish mission at Parts, but he de-clines to accept it.

PROGRAMME OF THE HOPAPARTISTS.
PARIS, May 28.—The Assembly met again today, but the proceedings were devoid of interest.

Prince Napoleon has gone to England. It is stated that at the next election the Homaparises will considerably actual that operations. They intend to advance the careamature of the Duke of

THE PAPAL SEE.

HEALTH OF THE POPE IMPROVED.

ROME, May 28,--The health of the Pope is very much improved to-day, and he is able to go about, but his physicians advise him not to go into the VIRENA, May 23.—The New Free Press is advised that the condition of the Pope is very pre-cardows. Much excitement exists at the Vatican and serious results to his-Holiness are appro-hended.

PULLMAN PALACE CARS.

LONDON, May 25.—A midnight train of American Puilman palace cars will be put on the Mid-

land ratiway, between London and Loeds, Sheffield and Bradford, next Monday. Similar cars will be run directly between this city and Liver-pool as toon as the Midland road is opened to the latter place. SCANDALOCS INCREASE OF SMUGGLING.

HENRI ROCHEFORT. HIS ACCOUNT OF PRISON LIVE AT CAL-EDONIA.

CHICAGO, May 23.—Henri Rochefort arrived here this afternoon, and two hours later left for.

New York. No reception was given him by the

A special dispatch to the Evening Post gives the reject of an interview with Rochefors at Omaha. He gives a fearful picture of the lives of the prisoners confined at New Caledonia, particularly those sentenced for orime. The condition of political prisoners was more tolerable. They were not obliged to labor, and those who had money were allowed to purchase such comforts as were obtainable thore. Rochefort and several companious were pegmitted to build a small house which added much to their comfort.

several companions were permitted to out a small house which added much to their comfort.

OF HIS BECAPE
he would only say they engaged an English bark of 400 bms burden to sail around the coast, and they aware to the vessel, being in the water from signal in the morning until after pidningh before they were ploked up in a nearly exhausted condition. In regard to political matters in France, it considers expressed the opinion that the free-part for the Republicans is very bright; that like-sis flow cannot watern himself three months, and that, it is more than probable that Thiers will be against the head of the Coferament within that the free of the Coferament within that the flow of the Coferament within that the flow of the Coferament within that the head to the coferament within that the head to him the continuous the republic.

MENTHS, May 24.—The committee on informa-tion and statistics of the Cotton Exchange report to-day the receipt of Hole: ters representing missay-four counties in Tennessee, Arkansas, Histostoppi, Alabama, and two in Missouri, which aggregate

BRIEF TELEGRAMS

yesteritay to meet December I.

J. I. Elliott's lightning-rod manufactory, at Grand Rapids, Mish., was burned yesterial morning. Loss, \$85,005.

The Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Good Templara, in session at Beston, raised yesterials to hold the next annual session at Bioquington, Itl.

The Rhode Island General Assembly adjurned last night, to meet June 2 to cleen a United States Senator. The prohibitory lighter law passed both Houses.

A temperance mass meeting was hold at Cincinnati last night. Reports from various wards showed that the organization of men's leagues in different wards was going on vigorously.